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Governor Musgrove Appeals FEMA Denial of Assistance For North Mississippi Counties

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(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today appealed a denial for public assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the counties of Coahoma, Quitman, Tallahatchie and Panola. Musgrove initially requested assistance in early June to rebuild roads and bridges damaged by high winds and flooding.

"We have obligations that still must be met on ten open disaster declarations around the state, and the denial of assistance in this case puts a tremendous strain on state and local resources," Musgrove said. "The people of these counties are facing serious financial burdens if assistance isn't provided in the near future."

During the month of May, the four counties endured rainfall amounts 250 percent above the normal level.

"Despite the initial denial of our request, we are going to pursue every opportunity for assistance for these counties," said Musgrove.

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